

FW: Statement on electors mtg / Draft

Mark Jefferson [REDACTED]

Thu 2/18/2021 12:37 PM

To: Anna Kelly [REDACTED]; Andrew Hitt [REDACTED]

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WI -- Dec 10 draft of cover memo enclosed with certificates.docx; Electors statement.docx;

You can work off this. This is a statement we were going to put out but didn't. Pat Marley did a story on it Dec 14 as well that you can look at.

From: Brian Schimming [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, December 10, 2020 4:29 PM
To: Mark Jefferson <[REDACTED]>
Subject: Fw: Statement on electors mtg / Draft

Slight revision from Cheseboro; Jim was fine on phrasing.

Jim made one thing clear - his statement should NOT go out before we have filed to appeal to Supreme Court - after we finish tomorrow's hearing, presuming reserve judge rules against us.

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Begin forwarded message:

On Thursday, December 10, 2020, 3:59 PM, Kenneth Chesebro [REDACTED] wrote:

I've done a cover memo that would be enclosed with the certificates, in internal envelopes that would be sealed and labeled prominently on the front:

**"VOTES OF THE STATE OF WISCONSIN
FOR PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT
OF THE UNITED STATES."**

Then, the external envelopes would be addressed with the addresses I've listed in the memo.

Pretty simple!

Note: the items I've listed as sent by Registered Mail need to be sent by REGISTERED (not certified) mail. The Bush team almost screwed up on this in 2000!

Ken

From: Kenneth Chesebro [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, December 10, 2020 4:55 PM
To: Brian Schimming [REDACTED]

Cc: Judge Troupis [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Statement on electors mtg / Draft

This is nicely phrased!

Excellent idea to link to the Jones & Lessig essay, showing that quite recently the Democrats endorsed parallel electors' meetings as a reasonable thing to do (not just Kennedy in 1960).

I have fixed the link to CNN, and tweaked the language a bit.

Proposed Jim Troupis Statement on Electors Meeting

"As the legal proceedings arising from the November 3 presidential election continue to work their way through the Wisconsin court system, I have advised the Republican Party of Wisconsin to convene a separate Republican electors' meeting and have the Trump-Pence electors cast their votes at the Wisconsin State Capitol on December 14.

Of course, there is precedent for such a meeting. Democrat electors pledged to John F. Kennedy convened in Hawaii in 1960, at the same time as Republicans, even though the Governor had certified Richard Nixon as the winner. In the end, the state's electoral votes were ultimately awarded to President Kennedy, even though he did not win the state until 11 days after his electors cast their votes.

The legitimacy and good sense of two sets of electors meeting on December 14 to cast competing votes for President and Vice President, with the conflict to be later sorted out by the courts and Congress, was pointed out by prominent Democrat activists Larry Lessig and Van Jones in an essay published last month [on CNN.com](#).

Given that the results in Wisconsin are still in doubt, with legal arguments that have yet to be decided, just as the Democrat electors met in Hawaii in 1960 while awaiting a final resolution of that State's vote, so too the Republican electors should meet this year on December 14 as we await a final resolution in Wisconsin."

From: Brian Schimming [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, December 10, 2020 3:47 PM
To: Kenneth Chesebro [REDACTED]
Subject: Statement on electors mtg / Draft

Ken - Brian Schimming here. State party wants Jim to put this statement out before the electors meeting here on Monday. Jim wanted you to get a look: said whatever went out would have to wait until after we filed appeal to WIS Supreme Court

Let me know, thanks

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“As the legal proceedings continue to work their way through the Wisconsin court system, I have advised the Republican Party of Wisconsin to convene a separate Republican electors meeting and vote at the Wisconsin State Capitol on December 14.

Of course, there is precedent for such a meeting. Democrats convened in Hawaii in 1960, at the same time as Republicans, even though the Governor had certified Richard Nixon as the winner. In the end, the state’s electoral votes were ultimately awarded to President Kennedy. In fact, just last month, when Republicans appeared to have a lead in Pennsylvania, Larry Lessig and Van Jones published an essay on CNN.com calling on Democrats to possibly convene their electors in that state if the results were still in doubt. Given this, and the legal arguments that have yet to be decided, the GOP electors should also meet on Monday while we await a final resolution in Wisconsin.”

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